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**3a,4,5,9b-TETRAHYDRO-1H-BENZ[e]INDOL-2-YL
AMINE-DERIVED NEUROPEPTIDE Y RECEPTOR LIGANDS
USEFUL IN THE TREATMENT OF OBESITY AND OTHER
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2000. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 21 without prejudice.

Claim 19, line 1 delete "claim 1" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

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